IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: : Chapter 13

Turner, Jr., Charles D. Escobar, Catherine

Debtors/ Respondents : 18-12458

Answer to Motion of For Relief from Automatic Stay

Debtors, Charles D. Turner, Jr., and Catherine Escobar by and through their undersigned attorney, hereby provide the following answers to the Motion for Relief from Stay filed by Movant, PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY. These responses are made without prejudice to debtor's right to present additional facts or contentions at a hearing based upon information hereinafter obtained or evaluated. Debtors specifically reserves the right to supplement or amend their responses or present additional facts and contentions at a later date to any of the answers given.

- 1. Denied. The allegation contained herein are directed to a party other than the answering debtors, and they are denied as no response is required.
- 2. Admitted in Part. It is admitted that Debtors are the owners of the premises 3566 Janney Street, Philadelphia, PA 19134. The remaining averments contained in this Paragraph consist of mischaracterization or summarization of documents that speak for themselves and they are denied as no response is required.
- 3. Denied. The averments contained in this Paragraph consist of mischaracterization or summarization of documents that speak for themselves and they are denied as no response is required.
- 4. Denied. The allegation contained herein are directed to a party other than the answering debtors, and they are denied as no response is required.
- 5. Denied as stated. The filing of a bankruptcy petition immediately puts into effect the automatic stay, which prevents creditors from taking any further actions against the debtor or the debtor's property with respect to claims arising prior to commencement of the case. See 11 U.S.C. Section 362. By way of further answer, the allegation contained herein are directed to a party other than the answering debtors, and they are denied as no response is required. Proof thereof is demanded.
 - 6. Denied. Proof thereof is demanded.
- 7. Denied. Any request for costs and legal fees in excess of \$400, is excessive. The pleading in this motion for relief is identical and/or similar, with other motions for relief filed which request only \$400 for legal fees and costs. There is no stated or apparent reason or justification for any higher request. See In Re: B & K

Brady Bk No. 03-18198 DWS (Request \$400) or In Re: E.Frisby Bk. No. 03-31127 DWS (Request \$400).

- 8. -9. Denied. Debtors can neither admit nor deny the allegations because Debtors have no personal knowledge of the accuracy of such statement. Strict proof is hereby demanded.
- 10. Denied. The allegation is a legal conclusion of law to which no answer is required. To the extent an answer may be appropriate, the allegations are denied, and the debtor aver, on the contrary, that per Debtors' Petition, Schedule A, the subject property has a fair market value of \$50,000.00. (See Docket No. 1),and Movant's lien totals \$10,111.61 (See Proof of Claim No. 7). Thus, there appears to be an equity cushion in the subject property and Movant's interests are adequately protected.
- 11. Denied. Debtors can neither admit nor deny the allegations because Debtors have no personal knowledge of the accuracy of such statement. Strict proof is hereby demanded.

For the reasons set forth above, among others, and based on this Court's authority under the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors pray that the motion be denied, and such other relief as is just and proper. The Debtor specifically reserves the right to supplement the answer at or prior to the hearing thereon.

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